

WEATHER.
UTAH—Fair and warmer to-
night; Friday partly cloudy,
possibly snow in west portion.

Fiftieth Year—No. 305

OGDEN CITY, UTAH THURSDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 16, 1920.

STEEL TRUST AGENTS EJECTED FROM HEARING

Mondell Urges Immense Slash In Appropriations

URGES CUT OF BILLION FROM AMOUNT ASKED

Republican Leader Declares It Is Time for Rigid Economy in U. S.

WANTS ARMY, NAVY COSTS SCALED DOWN

Wyoming Lawmaker Says His Plan Will Lighten Burden of Taxes

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Urging "rigid economy" in appropriations for government expenses during the next fiscal year in order to lighten the tax burden, Representative Mondell, of Wyoming, Republican leader, declared in the house today that the total of \$1,653,000,000 submitted by the secretary of the treasury should be reduced by approximately \$1,400,000,000. This reduction, he said, must be effected chiefly by a drastic scaling down in estimates for the army and navy, and also for sundry civil expenses, the total of which, he pointed out, exceeded current appropriations by more than \$1,000,000,000.

SHARP CRITICISM. Criticizing the administration for the "unfathomable inconsistency" in the estimates submitted to congress and the pleas for more money made by the president and the secretary of the treasury, Mr. Mondell declared he would "leave it to others to properly characterize these estimates."

"Two years ago," he said, "the world outside our borders is largely bankrupt and everybody is pressing for reduction of armaments. The administration asks for an appropriation of more than \$1,414,000,000 for the army, navy and fortifications, or five and a half times the highest peace time appropriation of 1914."

SCANDALIZING ALLEGED. Mr. Mondell declared these figures did not include current deficiencies which "may be swollen indefinitely" if the war department continued its policy of recruiting the army up to full strength, contrary to the understanding that it should not be increased above the "total of 175,000 men contemplated by the appropriations." He said it had become the duty of congress to take action that would prevent "such scandalizing of the people's money by creating deficiencies in violation of law."

COULD LIGHTEN TAXES. Asserting that if the economy in appropriations advocated by him was carried out, the tax burden for the calendar year 1921, might be "substantially lightened," Mr. Mondell said he believed continuation of a tax program designed to raise a minimum revenue of \$1,000,000,000 for two years as recommended by the secretary of the treasury, was "unjustified."

With 44 per cent of the net cost of the war, excluding foreign loans, already paid, he said it was unnecessary to "keep up war rates of taxation for the purpose of reducing the public debt at a rate greatly in excess of the sinking fund rate applied to the entire debt."

MORE REVENUE LOANS. While he favored repeal of the excess profits tax and reduction of the higher income surtaxes, Mr. Mondell said, he thought it unnecessary at this time to consider alternative revenue provisions because "no one can tell what increased revenues may result from the passage of a tariff bill along protective lines."

NATIONAL LEAGUE WILL DECIDE LANDIS' POWERS

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—President Johnson of the American league, left today for New York to attend the league's annual meeting opening there tomorrow.

Ratification of the new national agreement with a view of strengthening the power of Judge Landis in restoring public confidence in baseball, will be one of the objects of the meeting. The American league club owners probably will agree on April 13 as the date for opening the 1921 season. This is the date favored by the National league.

Because of illness, Charles A. Comiskey, owner of the Chicago Americans, will not attend the meeting.

SOUTH AMERICAN DISPUTE IS PUT ASIDE BY LEAGUE

GENEVA, Dec. 16.—At the opening of today's session, President Hymans announced that the request for consideration of the "Tana-Africa case" at this session of the assembly had been withdrawn, with the request that it be put on the agenda of the next assembly, to meet in September.

FRIENDS SOCIETY WILL FEED GERMAN STUDENTS

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—The American Friends' service committee announced today that 30,000 hungry German students in thirty universities will be furnished a hot mid-day meal beginning in January, immediately after the Christmas vacation. The committee now is feeding 18,000 men and women undergraduates in eighteen universities.

MAN LACKS STRENGTH TO CARRY ENOUGH COW HIDES TO BUY SHOES

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—There is no man living with sufficient strength to carry enough cow hides across the street, to bring the price of a good pair of shoes, C. H. Hyde of Oklahoma, told the Farmers' Committee of Seventeen at its meeting Wednesday in discussing the wholesale and retail cost of livestock and meat.

"We found by investigation that it would take a heavy team of horses to carry enough cow hides over a country road to pay for a new set of harness," said Mr. Hyde.

"We found that butcher stock averaging 894 pounds was selling for 5 cents a pound or \$52 and that the farmer got that amount for raising, shipping and caring for his stock in addition to paying commission and yardage fees.

"Then we found that retail butchers sold the same animal for \$37 more than was paid by the packer—not counting the by-products."

CITIZENS FAIL TO HEED ORDER TO MAIL EARLY

Postoffice Department Considerably Concerned Over Lack of Early Business

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Whether the people are ignoring the "mail early" slogan of the postoffice department or have experienced a strong subsidence of the Christmas spirit of giving is a question over which the department today expressed considerable concern. There has been practically no increase in the volume of mails due to Christmas mailing up to the present time, said an announcement by the department, whereas, by December 15 last year, the mails had increased 50 per cent above normal.

The public was warned that "congestion could not be avoided, if the noticeable increase in the volume of mail meant that Christmas mailings was being put off until the last few days."

Telegraph reports showing the volume of mail being handled at the various distributing points were quoted as follows:

"New York: 'No apparent increase.' Boston: 'Mail slightly light.' Cleveland: 'Conditions normal.' Atlanta: 'Noticeable decrease in volume from same period last year; Omaha: 'Increase in parcel post from 20 to 30 per cent.' Seattle: 'From their increase.' Points reporting 'No congestion' included San Francisco and St. Louis."

OFFICER SAYS HE KILLED WOMAN IN SELF-DEFENSE

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 16.—Mrs. Mary A. Howard, 55, was shot and killed Wednesday by Deputy Sheriff Asa Lee who had gone to her house to serve a police court warrant. Lee told officers Mrs. Howard was resisting arrest and pointed a revolver at him, pulling the trigger. The weapon missed. Lee is said to have declared and before she could make another attempt he fired at her. She died a few moments later.

WOMEN VOTERS TO GIVE THEIR HEIGHT AND WEIGHT

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—In order that the list of all voters may be sufficiently descriptive, women in this city will be compelled to register again if they wish to vote next year. A statement issued by the election department today said that the new list would include the height and weight of all registrants.

JEW DRAGGED FROM BED; PUT IN HUNGARIAN CAMP

VIENNA, Dec. 16.—(Jewish Telegraph Agency).—The Hungarian authorities are taking steps to intern all alien Jews, says a dispatch from Budapest today. During the last few nights, the dispatch adds, 200 Jewish families were dragged from their beds and removed to an internment camp.

FATHER, BURNED TRYING TO SAVE FAMILY, DIES

WINNER, S. D., Dec. 16.—John Schuman died at a hospital here yesterday from burns received in an attempt to save his wife from their blazing home in which she and her four children met death.

AUTO DEATHS INCREASE; MURDER, SUICIDE LESSEN

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Murders and suicides were fewer in Chicago this year than in 1919, but automobiles killed 81 persons more than in 1919, and were the cause of more deaths than anything else, according to the report of Coroner Peter Hoffman.

EXPERTS MEET TO FIX AMOUNT OF REPARATION

German Hope Allies Will Not "Put Knife to Their Throat"

BRUSSELS, Dec. 16.—(By the Associated Press).—Economic experts of five of the principal allied powers and Germany met at the conference table here today in the first of a series of meetings which will go far toward determining what Germany must pay for war reparations. Delegates from the allied nations appeared hopeful that the session, which will last probably a week or ten days, would be fruitful of results.

ON DEFENSIVE. The German representatives who arrived here last night, gave an impression of being on the defensive. The German delegation is composed of 27 delegates, headed by Siegmund Bernmann, Rudolph Havenstein, president of the reichsbank, replaced Karl F. von Hienemann. One of the German representatives, here Siegmund Bernmann, will arrive later in the meeting.

The first meeting was called to order at 10 o'clock with former Premier Delacroix, of Belgium, presiding. The arrival of the delegates at the Palais des Academies, where the sessions are being held, attracted no attention on the part of the public.

DON'T KNEE US. The morning session was occupied with a depiction by Herr Schroeder, German under-secretary of finance, of Germany's dark economic outlook, and said he hoped the allies would not "put the knife to Germany's throat."

The afternoon session was devoted to a statement submitted by the Germans on foreign exchange as it affects Germany's ability to pay reparations.

'HARD TIMES' INSURANCE SUBSCRIBED IN EAST

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.—"Hard times insurance" for a cost of 1 cent a month per worker to employers is the plan of the Society for Organizing Charity. To meet this winter's social problems incident to unemployment, a "Hard times insurance fund" of \$300,000 is needed here, according to C. W. Hare, secretary of the finance committee.

Several large business and industrial firms have already agreed to cooperate on the basis of 1 cent a month for each employee it was announced.

GIRLS DECORATED FOR GIVING UP LUXURIES

BOSTON, Dec. 16.—Out of 600 girl students at the Boston university college of secretarial science, twenty-six were willing to give up candy, high heels, short skirts and eating between meals and forego late dances and theatre parties for the sake of wearing a chevron on the sleeve of their gym suits. The awards under the chevron system recently adopted by the college were made today to the brave twenty-six.

CRAWFORD HILL, DENVER CAPITALIST, NEAR DEATH

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 16.—Crawford Hill, Denver capitalist and club man and widely known in financial circles throughout the country, is dangerously ill at his home here today following a stroke of paralysis late yesterday. Mr. Hill is 58 years old.

NEGRO POPULATION OF CHICAGO HAS DOUBLED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The negro population of Chicago increased 65,491 in the last decade and now is 105,294, the census bureau announced today. The percentage of increase was 145.5. The total white population is 2,539,194, an increase of 450,974, or 21 per cent, and all others numbered 2,607.

SEVERE QUAKE RECORDED; BUT WHERE? SQUERY

Worst Shock in Two Years, Washington Observer Declares

CHICAGO INSTRUMENT ALSO IS QUIVERING

Location of Tremor Mystery; No Reports Received of Damage

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—An unusually severe earth shock, estimated to be 2,500 miles in an east-westerly direction from Washington, was recorded early today on the seismograph at Georgetown university.

The recording of the shock began at 7:25 a. m., the maximum intensity was reached at 8:07 a. m., and it still was in progress at 9:50 a. m. The disturbance was described by the Rev. Father Francis A. Tondorf, director of the Georgetown seismographical observatory, as the worst recorded here in two years.

FAIR FROM CAPITAL. The distance of 2,500 miles from Washington, estimated by Father Tondorf, would indicate the location of the disturbance to the United States near the Pacific coast, if in the west, or in the vicinity of the Azores if to the east.

Father Tondorf said the estimate of distance was difficult to calculate from the early portion of the recording of the shock.

RECORDED IN CHICAGO. The seismograph at Washington reported the same quake was 2,800 miles from there in an east or west direction, the quake apparently is centered in the Atlantic ocean, being farther from Chicago than from the capital.

NO SIGN IN L. A. Los Angeles, Dec. 16.—A reading of the seismograph at the Echo Mountain observatory, near Pasadena today failed to disclose any sign of a quake shock recorded by instruments in eastern cities. The Echo Mountain seismograph has the widest range of any in the world.

FELT IN SEATTLE. SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 16.—An earthquake shock so severe that it temporarily put out of commission a number of instruments at the University of Washington here today. The disturbance estimated to have centered about 200 miles in an east-westerly direction from Seattle, began at 4:24 a. m. and reached its maximum at 4:43 when two recording needles were displaced.

GREEK KING AND FAMILY LEAVE VENICE FOR HOME

VENICE, Dec. 16.—(By the Associated Press).—Former King Constantine, Queen Sophie and their children sailed from Venice this morning on board the Greek cruiser Averoff for Phlorenza.

The Averoff weighed anchor at 8:40 o'clock and proceeded immediately on her voyage to Greece with the returning royal party.

A destroyer preceded the cruiser out of the harbor.

The former king and family for the first time since June 24, 1917 slept on the royal banner flying from the cruiser Averoff. Royal luncheon was paid Constantine from the moment he set foot on deck yesterday. Rear Admiral Philip Andrews, commander of the American naval units in the Adriatic, were among those who called upon him.

DRAFT EVADERS ESCAPE PUNISHMENT, VETS SAY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Charges that the war department is taking no action looking to the prosecution of draft evaders and deserters were filed today by the house judiciary committee today by representatives of service men's organizations. The committee is considering legislation to extend the time of limitation from 3 to 6 years for prosecution of violators of the selective service act.

SOVIET LANDS CHINESE TROOPS ALONG BLACK SEA

ANGORA, Asia Minor, Dec. 14.—The landing of Russian soviet troops at Trebizond on the Black sea coast has begun, according to reports here. The first contingent, it is said, comprised 400 Chinese and Letts.

AMBASSADOR OF U. S. DECLINES TO MEET Foe

Hugh C. Wallace, Refuses to Shake Hands With German Envoy

INCIDENT TAKES PLACE AT PARIS RECEPTION

United States Still at War With Teuton Nation, Is Explanation

PARIS, Dec. 16.—Hugh C. Wallace, the American ambassador, last night refused to meet Wilhelm Mayer von Kanthäuser, the German ambassador, because the United States is still technically in a state of war with Germany.

The incident occurred at an official dinner to the diplomatic corps given by Raoul Peret, president of the chamber of deputies, and his wife. Ambassador Wallace, dean of the diplomatic corps in the absence of the Italian ambassador, and Mrs. Wallace, were the guests of honor.

CAN'T FORGET IT. Pierre de Fouquieres, of the foreign office, known as the "producer of ambassadors," approached Ambassador Wallace in the reception room before the dinner and said:

"The German ambassador desires to be presented to you."

"Can't you forget it?" inquired Mr. Wallace, who knows M. Fouquieres very well.

"He is standing just behind me," replied M. Fouquieres. "He is very persistent. I did not wish to embarrass you."

REFUSES TO MEET HIM. "Tell him," said Mr. Wallace, "that I refuse to meet him."

The German ambassador was standing so near that he heard Mr. Wallace reply and M. Fouquieres repeated the response to him.

News of the incident spread rapidly among the 115 guests, who included many of the most notable men in the public life of France.

Ambassador Wallace was surrounded by persons congratulating him, among whom were Philippe Berthelot, political director of the French foreign office, and Baron Harding, the new British ambassador to France.

The episode was much talked of in Paris political circles today, where it was commented that the American ambassador could not yet meet socially the ambassador of a country with whom the United States is at war.

PUGILIST GOES ON TRIAL FOR ATTACK ON GIRL

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—Edmund (Spud) Murphy, pugilist, went to trial here today on a charge of having assaulted Jessie Montgomery, 17 years old, in a shock which was the headquarters of a gang early Thanksgiving morning. Four other members of the gang are awaiting trial and three alleged members were lynched at Santa Rosa last week after three peace officers had been murdered.

Murphy failed in his efforts to obtain a change of venue. A large detachment of police was placed on guard in the halls and in the room where Murphy went to trial. Admission to the court room was by card.

COURT AFFIRMS SENTENCE GIVEN INDIAN REBELS

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—The United States court of appeals today affirmed the three-year sentences of Heramba Lal Gupta, George Paul Boehm, Alfred Wehde and Gustave H. Jacobson, convicted of fomenting a revolution in India and organizing a military expedition against England. The men were tried before Judge Kenesaw M. Landis.

The four, together with Baron von Rehwitz, former German consul in Chicago, were indicted June 2, 1917. The baron had returned to Germany prior to that date, and escaped trial. Judge Landis passed sentences of three years on one charge and two on the other, the sentences to run concurrently.

INJUNCTION DENIED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—An injunction sought by the Associated Fur Manufacturers to restrain striking members of the International Fur Workers' union from picketing their establishments, was denied by Supreme Court Justice Henry G. Hotchkiss. The strikers claim they are victims of a "lockout," while the employers charge their men demand life tenure in their jobs and no wage reductions, despite economic conditions.

MEDIC GETS PROMOTION.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 16.—Dr. Edward A. Park, associate professor of pediatrics at Johns Hopkins university, will become professor of pediatrics in the Yale medical school. Dr. Park was graduated from Yale in 1900. He was a major in the American Red Cross during the war and served as medical adviser to the Belgian commission in France.

LOOK FOR ROBBERS.

ABILENE, Tex., Dec. 16.—Officers today were searching for robbers who forced the safe of the First State bank at Hawley yesterday and escaped with \$1200 cash and \$2000 in Liberty bonds.

THIS REPORTER COULD HARDLY GIVE AWAY \$50

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—A reporter with \$50 provided by his newspaper to be given to the first man who offered his seat to the reporter's companion, an elderly woman carrying a large market basket, rode Chicago elevated and surface cars for four hours yesterday before getting rid of the money. Late in the afternoon William H. Riley, an insurance salesman, qualified for the prize.

AMERICAN GIRL WEDS HEIR OF BRITISH EARL

LONDON, Dec. 16.—Viscount Stuart, son and heir of the sixth Earl of Castlestead, and Miss Eleanor May Guggenheim, daughter of Solomon R. Guggenheim, of New York City, were married here today. The ceremony was performed by Canon David of Coventry, assisted by the Rev. J. S. Stewart, rector of St. Andrew's, County Down, Ireland, and was witnessed by more than 100 relatives and intimate friends of the couple.

The bridesmaids were the Misses Edith MacGregor, of Glasgow, and Janet Rowell, of New Castle-on-Tyne, school friends of the bride, and the best man was Hugh Greer.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of the Charles II period. It had a hand woven, pearl white satin bodice, embroidered with seed pearls and diamonds and a rose point lace collar, an underskirt of cloth of silver and a long court train of the same material. It was the bridegroom's mother, who was Miss Rothschild.

The wedding was one of the most brilliant events of the London season. The couple will spend their honeymoon in Spain.

ANTI-STRIKE BILL OF POINDEXTER IS PASSED WITHOUT SENATE VOTE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The Poindexter anti-strike bill was passed today by the senate without debate or a record vote. The measure, which is a record vote, provides that interference with interstate commerce shall be a felony.

CHURCH THEFT CHARGE IS FOUND GROUNDED

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Insufficient evidence upon which to base criminal action, was reported today by Assistant District Attorney Burke, in closing an investigation into charges made by Campbell McCulloch, former member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, this city, who declared that certain papers had been stolen from his desk and were being used against him. Forty persons, many of them members of the church, were examined by Mr. Burke, at McCulloch's instigation.

MEN WHO WOULDN'T FIGHT HONOR GUESTS AT DINNER

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Twenty-five conscientious objectors, several of whom served prison terms because of their refusal to bear arms during the war, were guests of honor" last night at a dinner given by the American Civil Liberties bureau. Speakers who included Scott Nearing, former professor at the University of Pennsylvania, and the Rev. John Haynes Holmes, pastor of the Community church, lauded the objectors as the "bravest of the brave."

SPANISH ARMY TOO BIG.

MADRID, Dec. 16.—El Heraldo today demands a reduction in the strength of the Spanish army, in order to bring about needed economies in the national budget. The newspaper declares that workers are more necessary to Spain than soldiers.

DIPLOMAT EXPLAINS.

THE HAGUE, Dec. 16.—Jonkheer Van Karnebeck, the foreign minister of Holland, explained Wednesday that Holland had "temporarily broken off diplomatic relations with Yugoslavia," because of long continued insults to the Dutch government.

CABINET RESIGNS.

BELGRADE, Dec. 16.—The cabinet headed by Dr. Milenko P. Veselitch, has resigned.

PAIR ACCUSED OF PROMPTING DURING PROBE

Letter Indicates Steel Corporation and Erectors' Association Work Together

"BUILDING TRUST" STILL UNDER INVESTIGATION

Evidence Purporting to Show Wage Agreement Introduced at Hearing

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—W. W. Corlett, general solicitor of the American Bridge company, and A. L. Davis, an official of the United States Steel corporation subsidiary, were ejected from the committee room at today's session of the legislative committee investigating the "building trust."

LETTER IS SHOWN. Previously a letter purporting to show that the United States Steel corporation and National Erectors' association worked hand in hand, today was placed in evidence before the joint legislative committee investigating the "building trust."

The letter produced Samuel Untermyer, committee counsel, was from John W. Pouchet, former manager of the association at Pittsburgh, to the organization's secretary, reporting a meeting of the executive committee in Pittsburgh in December 1915.

CONFAB ON WAGES. At this meeting the executive committee, it was said, appointed a committee to see the officers of the United States Steel corporation to arrange for notification of the association to make a meeting on erection work, the rate of wages on erection work, Waller Drew, the association's counsel, was to see Elbert H. Gary, head of the corporation, in the matter.

THREE BOYS SENTENCED TO CHEERLESS CHRISTMAS

WEST ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 16.—Christmas this year is to be a joyless festival for three West Orange boys of 10 to 12 years, who Wednesday were sentenced by City Recorder J. B. Lander, to receive no holiday presents, to take no part in any Christmas festivities and to go to bed at 8:30 every evening for a month, including Christmas eve.

The youngsters, who appeared in court accused of stealing from their parents, were convicted of breaking into a school and stealing pencils and money from the teacher's desk and on another occasion taking from the school store quantities of the coal at the nominal rate of \$5.50 a ton.

The bottom fell out of the market when a wholesaler notified the superintendent of supplies that he had 1900 tons which he had to get rid of because the railroad company was demanding demurrage. The superintendent named his own price.

PITTSBURGH SCHOOLS GET COAL AT LOW FIGURE

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 16.—Pittsburgh public school buildings which a few weeks ago were closed because of their inability to obtain a titimous coal supply, today were to receive storing quantities of the coal at the nominal rate of \$5.50 a ton.

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MEXICAN RAIL STRIKE AVERTED BY AGREEMENT

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 16.—A general strike of railway telegraphers and station agents which was called yesterday has been averted. Several demands made by the men have been granted and others will be submitted to arbitration, these demands including recognition of the union, wage increases, shorter hours and indemnities for personal injury.

WOULD ALLOW TIMBER CUTTING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Senator W. H. King of Utah introduced a bill today to permit citizens of Washington county, Utah, to cut timber on forest reserves in northern Arizona for domestic consumption. The general law prohibits citizens of one state cutting free timber in another.

CADET NAMED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—Senator Kendrick has appointed Archer Freund of Laramie as cadet at the West Point military academy, and has named Michael M. McNamee of Cheyenne as alternate.

